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REPLY TO ATTENTION OF:

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Dr. George C. Smith
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Dear Mr. Smith:

This is response to your telephone conversation with Phil Kaplan of my staff on October 22, 1981, regarding the delisting of hazardous waste at your Jones & Laughlin Steel/Youngstown Sheet and Tube Co., Indiana Harbor Works facility. The Enforcement Division has received a memorandum dated November 2, 1981, from Douglas B. Farnsworth, Chief, Regulatory Branch, Legal Division, Office of Waste Programs Enforcement, United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA). The memorandum indicates that the U.S. EPA has made a preliminary determination to publish in the Federal Register notice to exclude certain wastes generated at particular facilities from the lists in 40 CFR Part 261, Subpart D. These wastes are to be excluded or delisted pursuant to 40 CFR 260.22 and 260.20. The delisting determination includes a waste generated at the Jones & Laughlin Steel, Indiana Harbor Works facility in East Chicago, Indiana (EPA ID No. INDO05462601) which has an EPA Waste Number F006, wastewater treatment sludges from electroplating operations. The memorandum notes the following condition:

"Due to total cyanide content the waste must be disposed of at a State approved or registered landfill where the waste is covered as a daily practice. This will eliminate any concerns of possible photodecomposition of the complexed cyanide in the waste."

Until the delisting of the above waste becomes effective upon publication in the Federal Register, the U.S. EPA will refrain from taking enforcement action under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), Subtitle C, 42 USC 6901 et seq. and 40 CFR Parts 262 and 265 relating to the handling of such waste. Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please call Phil Kaplan at (312) 353-2114.

Very truly yours,

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